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CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSING UNITS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to make housing arrangements for the families of the soldiers in the Cantonment area;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of housing units proposed to be built for the families of the soldiers in the current year; and

(d) the amount estimated to be spent by the Government for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) the Government has decided to construct 1,98,881 houses for the families of defence service personnel in the Cantonments/Military Stations. The work is proposed to be completed, in four phases, under the 'Married Accommodation Project' at a total estimated cost of Rs. 17,358 crores.

(c) In Phase-I of the married accommodation project, a total number of 61,658 Dwelling Units will be constructed. The construction work under Phase-I has already started at many sites and this phase is likely to be completed by 2005-2006.

(d) The amount estimated to be spent by the Government on Phase-I of the project is Rs. 5478.73 crores.